

Sanitation Fund Includes Money For Incinerator

3½-Million Budget Also Asks Construction Of 2 Other Buildings

By Jerry O'Leary, Jr.

A \$3,501,000 fund for clearing refuse from the District in fiscal 1950 was asked by the Division of Sanitation today, plus \$1,000,000 to complete a major incinerator and two other buildings.

The Commissioners were asked to authorize expenditure of \$600,000 so that contracts can be let and construction begun on a \$1,800,000 incinerator. Another \$400,000 would go toward completion of a garage and shops building for the division, scheduled for completion during the next fiscal year.

The Sewer Division asked the city heads to approve a 1950 budget of \$1,241,821 for operating expenses—a \$89,821 increase over this year's grant—plus a capital outlay expenditure of \$3,100,000 for improvements to the city sewer system.

Capital Outlay Items.

The Sewer Division capital outlay budget includes requests for \$9,000 for sewer rights-of-way and for repair of existing sewers; \$350,000 to complete additional sludge digestion tanks and sedimentation tanks at the Blue Plains sewage disposal plant; \$500,000 for relief sewers; \$100,000 for replacement sewers; \$696,600 for storm water sewer construction; \$575,200 for trucks; \$6,600 for construction equipment; \$350,000 for sewers in advance of paving, and \$500,800 for assessment and permit work.

Harold A. Kemp, director of Sanitary Engineering, and William J. Xanten, superintendent of the City Refuse Division, told the Commissioners \$1,800,000 is authorized for the incinerator project, but there are not sufficient funds appropriated to permit construction.

They said this project should be delayed no longer, because the incinerator will increase the capacity of the city's present two incinerators for the last several years.

More Frequent Collection. In requesting \$10,000 for major repairs to several garbage digesters at the Cherry Hill (Va.) disposal plant, the division told the Commissioners three-times-a-week garbage collection should be instituted here. Currently garbage is collected only twice a week.

The \$3,501,000 in the operating expenses estimate of the Refuse Division for fiscal 1950 exceeds the amount appropriated for this year by \$236,000. Reimbursements to the Division of Sanitation from other departments for next year would raise the operating expense fund to \$3,524,880.

The following amounts are requested for the various functions of the Refuse Department:

Street cleaning, \$1,154,840, an increase of \$37,580.

Ash collection and disposal, \$246,858, an increase of \$7,119.

Increase for Administration. Administration, \$87,548, a \$3,268 increase.

Garbage collection and reduction, \$615,968, an increase of \$13,492.

Trash collection and incineration, \$1,109,367, an increase of \$61,160.

Dead animal and night soil collection, \$23,992, a \$793 increase.

Purchase of automotive equipment, \$237,500, an increase of \$70,211.

Wages for all employees of the division will rise, because of mandatory salary increases in 1950, from \$2,739,654 to \$2,825,396. Supplies and materials will cost \$342,894 next year, an increase of \$60,000 over the \$282,894 appropriated for this year.

Twenty-eight new employees are sought for service in the Refuse Division next year—13 in the street-cleaning section, five for garbage work and 10 for trash collection. The Sanitary Division also wants 32 trucks and machines for new service and to replace old vehicles. Total cost of these purchases is estimated at \$237,500.

Ten for Street Cleaning. Ten of the trucks would be used for the street cleaning operation, 9 for garbage and ash collection and 10 for trash collection. The equipment would consist of truck-trailers and street cleaning vacuum machines.

A request of \$25,000 was made for snow removal, to be matched by another \$25,000 from the Highway Department. Mr. Xanten said it is essential that the present inadequate snow clearance equipment be supplemented.

The city heads also were requested to authorize expenditure of \$20,000 for partial replacement of grates at the O Street incinerator and to replace a boiler on the Georgetown incinerating plant.

Sewer Division Items. The Sewer Division's \$1,241,821 operating expense fund was broken down by the department as follows: Administration, \$334,653; cleaning and repairing, \$524,345; mosquito control, \$26,665; Blue Plains sewage treatment plant, \$320,758; Potomac River basin conservancy district, \$5,400 as the District's share of the arrangement with Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania, and \$30,000 for public convenience stations.

Wages in the Sewer Division increased from \$930,200 to \$969,773. Only two new employees were asked for the division in the next budget, both clerks for the administration office.

The division asked \$17,000 for replacement of tide gates at the main station and various other outlets along the river front.

L. D. Norsworthy Retires From Army Engineers

Leonard D. Norsworthy, assistant chief of the engineering division, office of the chief of engineers, since 1942, retired today after 34 years of Government service.

Mr. Norsworthy, who lives at 6416 Barnaby street N.W., received the Army's Meritorious Civilian Service Award at a ceremony in the Pentagon.



RED FEATHERS FOR COMMUNITY CHEST DRIVE—Leon Chatelain, Jr., president of the Washington Board of Trade, presents red feathers, the symbol of the Community Chest's campaign, to Capital Airline Hostesses Jeanne Rittenhouse, 1800 Abingdon drive, Alexandria, and Frances Taylor, Jefferson Gardens, Alexandria. The drive opens officially on October 7. —Star Staff Photo.

Paper Bags New Clues In Slaying of Couple; Man, 30, in Custody

Police feeling for new clues in the Mahlan-Kline murder case turned their attention to two brown-paper shopping bags brought to the Anne Arundel County police headquarters today.

Significance of the bags was not immediately learned, but one was stuffed full with a man's felt hat on top and the other about half full.

Police Chief John H. Souers, who was away from his office at the time, was called back. But investigators declined to say where they had found the bags or what they contained.

Earlier today a colored man about 30 years old, shabbily dressed was taken to the Ferndale station by Lt. Wilbur C. Wade of the county police. Lt. Wade said the man had been picked up near a forestry service tower, Old Annapolis road, near Lipins Corner.

Clues Are Few. Although clues still seemed few and far between, Chief Souers expressed confidence that police eventually will solve the 12-day-old murder of John H. Mahlan, 25, and Mary O. Kline, 18.

"This is a baffling case," he told reporters, "but we have had baffling ones here before, and I am confident we will break this one one of these days."

Chief Souers said he wished to talk further today to a 48-year-old storekeeper picked up yesterday at his home near the corner of Defense and General highways, about 4 miles from the place where the bodies were found September 20.

Find Two Pistols. After looking up the man police returned to the store and found two pistols slightly larger than .38 caliber.

Police have told newsmen they believe the death gun was a .38, and last night broadcast a teletype request asking police of 13 States to be on the lookout for such a weapon.

Mr. Mahlan, a Navy war veteran and postal clerk, and Miss Kline, who had been dating him for two years, were killed the night of Friday, September 17, after they had left for an automobile ride.

The car was found 5 miles southeast of Glen Burnie, but the bodies were found in a field near the junction of Defense highway and Unimexfield road, 12 miles away. Each had been shot through the head once. The car's front windows each had a bullet hole. Miss Kline's left shoe was found in the back seat and there was blood in both seats.

City Police Not Active. Although it was announced earlier a Baltimore homicide squad detective had been assigned to the case, Chief Souers said thus far city police have not been active.

"As soon as all the evidence is assembled, I will want them all in on it," he said. "I'm not interested in who solves this case, but I want it solved."

He said he did not think Baltimore police would be much help at this stage of the investigation because they are not familiar with the countryside.

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Three Face Hearing After Gaming Raid

Three men, including two from Washington, will face hearings in Hyattsville Police Court October 7 on gambling charges in connection with the operation of an alleged bookmaking establishment within Brentwood, Md.

The trio and assorted equipment were seized last yesterday by Prince Georges County police, when they raided houses at 3801 Thirty-ninth avenue, Brentwood.

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Navy Rebuying Within Year of Surplus Sale

Release of Supplies Ordered by Secretary To Aid Economy

By John A. Giles

The Navy admitted today it is buying shoes, socks, dungarees and other clothing items within a year after it released large stocks of such wartime articles as being in excess of its needs.

Rear Admiral E. D. Foster, chief of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, said the repurchases at inflationary prices had been made necessary because the Secretary of the Navy had ordered that materials and products that were "in excess of reasonable short-term needs" be declared surplus to aid the civilian economy.

This was much the same explanation for the current heavy buying by the armed forces given yesterday by Army Secretary Royall. The War Assets Administration sold the "surplus" wartime supplies at 30 per cent or less of cost and current replacement prices now run a third higher.

Had Reserve Plan.

Like the Army, the Navy had a "war reserve" plan whereby sufficient part of the residue of World War II materials and equipment were to be laid away for anticipated needs over a specified time. However, officials would not divulge the details of this program nor how far stocks had been built back before planned levels. The Army's program had called for retention of sufficient stocks for 2,000,000 men through the middle of next year.

Although Admiral Foster maintained it was his desire to furnish the needed information on the Navy's buying program "as possible," in answer to The Star's request, it required the better part of a week and several top-level conferences to obtain today's report.

The detailed explanatory statement released by the Department's public information division said that only with snap fasteners, khaki shirts and socks had purchases been made "within short periods," after similar supplies had been declared surplus. This time period ran around 9 to 10 months.

Twirl Sold in 1947.

However, the declaration and repurchase list itself showed that twirl was being declared surplus as late as February, 1947, and that within seven months it was being repurchased. In all, the Navy declared surplus 7,828,886 yards of snap cloth, valued at \$3,178,200. The amount of the repurchases was not divulged.

The Navy declared 107,000 jerseys, valued at \$321,000, in excess of its needs in March, 1946, and was buying them again last June. It released 13,200 cotton and wool undershirts, valued at \$130,180, in February, 1947, and was buying them again in March this year.

In November, 1947, the Navy released to War Assets 700,000 snap fasteners as being in excess of needs. Last month—less than a year later—the Navy repurchased 373,000 such fasteners because, the bureau said, "a contract for undershirts provided for optional use of snap fasteners."

Khaki Shirts Repurchased. A uniform change permitting khaki uniforms for optional wear caused the Navy to repurchase 173,250 yards of khaki shirts in June, 1946, after declaring 12,853 yards surplus in October, 1945.

The largest surplus surplus declaration was 8,342,035 dungarees, valued at \$11,528,802. The declarations were being made as late as April last year, but the Navy was buying them again in June this year. Such "surplus" trousers are available in civilian stores.

A big Navy surplus item was shoes—more than 2,000,000 pairs were considered surplus, some of them as late as April, 1947. But in January and again in February this year, the Navy was busily buying the same type again.

Three other explanations for its shoe repurchases and subsequent repurchases: (1) Civilian shortages; (2) excesses in certain abnormal sizes in wartime, not required in peacetime; and (3) "reduction of the number of personnel due to rapid demobilization and consequent redeployment of the rates of issue and overall requirements."

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Draftees' and Veterans' Guide

By Maj. Thomas M. Nial

The draft, in case you've forgotten, aims at two principal goals: To build up the Regular Army from about 500,000 to about 900,000 and to provide a well-trained Reserve force which might be called a "strength in being," ready for any emergency.

The Army is divided into three parts: The Regular Army, the National Guard and the Organized Reserve Corps (ORC).

The last is becoming increasingly important, in view of the draft's No. 2 goal—a Reserve ready for any emergency.

You get talking to Army experts about the ORC and you come away in the middle of a monstrous maze. For instance, the draft act says that any person who on June 24, 1948, was in an organized unit of the National Guard, the Officers' Reserve Corps, the Enlisted Reserve Corps or reserves of the other service, which we'll pass up now, is automatically deferred as long as he keeps up with his drill and training periods.

If you have no military service and, like hundreds of others, you joined an Army reserve unit before June 24 you probably think you will be deferred. From the paragraph above, it certainly would seem so.

But, unless the Army unit you joined was part of the Federally recognized National Guard, you definitely are not deferred. You're as draftable as any nondeferred registrant.

Assigned to the office of the Army Chief of Chaplains, Col. Tavel is the first Jewish rabbi to hold this rank in the Regular Army. Samuel D. Gershovitz, executive director of the National Jewish Welfare Board, New York, extended greetings for the national president.

The luncheon was held at Jewish Welfare Board headquarters, 1637 Massachusetts avenue N.W., and was attended by more than 50 representatives of Jewish organizations.

No unit of the ORC, says that circular, qualified as "organized" on June 24. Therefore, no member of such a unit is deferrable (unless, of



THEY'RE GETTING READY AT THE CAPITOL—Workmen already are constructing the three stands for the presidential inauguration next January. Seating will be provided for the President's party, the press and invited guests. Examining plans in the foreground are (left to right): G. W. Martin, superintendent of the work; Cleveland Skinner of the contracting firm, and David Lynn, Architect of the Capitol. —Star Staff Photo.

Fringe Parking Plans For Temple Heights Dropped Temporarily

Plans for setting up a third "fringe parking lot" on the Temple Heights property, on Connecticut avenue between Columbia road and Florida avenue, were dropped temporarily today by the Motor Vehicle Parking Agency.

The decision was announced by P. Y. K. Howat, chairman of the agency, shortly before the Board of Zoning Adjustment was scheduled to hear Temple Heights neighborhood residents protest against establishment of the parking lot.

Mr. Howat said the plan to use the north end of the property was abandoned because of opposition from residents of the Wyoming Apartments, 2022 Columbia road N.W., and because of the difficulties where Connecticut avenue encounters Columbia road N.W.

The Wyoming Apartments residents objected to a proposal that the entrance and exit to the lot be set up near their building.

Mr. Howat said the owners of the Temple Heights property, the Morris Caritz and the Charles H. Tompkins Co., have asked the Parking Agency to give them time to prepare plans for leveling the south end of the hilly lot on the Florida avenue side.

The south end of the lot, at Connecticut avenue and Florida avenue N.W., already is zoned commercial, Mr. Howat declared.

The fringe parking and shuttle bus system got under way last week when Capital Transit buses began regular runs between the other two fringe lots at the Heurich Brewery and Municipal Center, via F street N.W.

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Work Now Under Way To Correct 183 School Egress Violations

Correction of 183 fire regulation violations found in the public schools by the District fire marshal's office during its annual inspection last night when she took refuge from an assailant in a back room in a Fourteenth street restaurant.

Arrested on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon was George Hurley, 34, of the 1500 block of Quarries street N.E.

Judge Aubrey Fennell ordered Hurley held in \$5,000 bond when he appeared in Municipal Court today. The case was continued until October 21, pending the outcome of the woman's condition.

Police, answering a call from the Sandbar restaurant, 1123 Fourteenth street N.W., reported they arrived just as a man rushed to the rear of the restaurant, flung open the door to the room where Mrs. Pocock was hiding, and stabbed her in the abdomen.

They said the injured woman, who lives at 1443 Massachusetts avenue N.W., and her assailant had been arguing.

Item Ruled Out. The item ruled out was flameproofing of the stage curtain in the auditorium at the S. J. Bowen Elementary School. The auditorium is no longer in use.

The 198 items reported to Dr. Corning for correction do not include major construction changes in a number of old schools which must be carried out to make the schools conform to the new egress regulations.

Auditoriums at three schools besides Bowen were closed last spring because they could not meet egress regulations. They were at Bell Vocational High School (old building at Seventh and O streets N.W.), before Hine Junior High School and the Summer Elementary School.

Changes to Cost \$360,000. It is estimated that \$360,000 will be needed to accomplish these major structural changes. In the school budget estimates for the next fiscal year, Dr. Corning asked that \$75,000 be appropriated for the next four or five years so this work would be done over a period of years.

Naval Academy Gets Plaque ANNAPOLIS, Md., Sept. 29 (AP)—A plaque made of scrap metal from 16 Japanese warships and bearing an American flag in the center is on display at the Naval Academy Museum. It was donated by Vice Admiral R. M. Griffin, commander of Far East naval forces.

Medicine Needs Family Doctors, Society Is Told

Impact of Psychiatry Seen as Altering Medical Teaching

By George Beveridge

Present-day medical science must brace itself for "a fresh start" and return to the old-fashioned philosophy of the family doctor.

This is the advice of Dr. William S. McCann of the University of Rochester Medical School, who also predicted, in an address before the District Medical Society Scientific Assembly, that the day is coming when the medical student "will receive part of his training in the home, as in the olden days."

Speaking on "Trends in Medical Education," Dr. McCann told doctors at the assembly's final-day meeting that the medical profession must revise the basis of its service to include a strong corps of "family doctors" who are willing "to go into the homes of people."

Must Go to Homes.

"It is not enough to have a specialist in pediatrics in a clinic to immunize babies against infection," Dr. McCann declared. "The doctor must go to the home himself, or else we must train our social workers to be doctors."

The reason, Dr. McCann said, is that the practice of medicine and the "impact of psychiatry" can no longer be separated.

"This impact, he said, 'unquestionably will alter the whole structure' of teaching in medical schools. Dr. McCann said in an interview that a great many doctors would actually prefer to be general practitioners, but that it is becoming more difficult to make a living in that field because 'hospitals are stealing the show.' At the same time, he added, the public has gone 'hospital crazy.'

Most babies, for example, can be delivered just as safely in homes as in hospitals if 'the doctor is really on the job.' For every first baby, mothers probably should go to the hospital, but in many cases thereafter hospitalization really means an unnecessary expense, Dr. McCann said.

Attacks Medical Boards. In an unusual attack on the powerful national medical boards which certify doctors as specialists, Dr. McCann said the rigid training requirements laid down by these groups also can be blamed partially for inadequacies in medical school teaching.

Some regrouping of these specialties is essential, if the specialists are to adapt themselves to changing trends in medicine, the physician went on.

"No matter how they resist this change," he added, "their survival demands it."

Doctors have been slow to recognize, Dr. McCann declared, that it is good preventive medicine, and much cheaper, to carry out diagnostic studies on patients who do not have to be housed, fed and nursed in hospitals. A remedy, he added, is to extend benefits "of group hospitalization insurance to group diagnostic studies of the ambulatory patient."

Scheele Speaks. In another address, Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, surgeon general of the United States Public Health Service, told the doctors that the major steps in public health during the next few years will be toward control of chronic diseases that particularly affect older people.

While life expectancy at birth jumped 16 years between 1900 and 1940, in that time, we have done very little to deal with the major problems of adults. All of the new medical knowledge and skills have added only two and a half years to the life expectancy of the 40-year-olds.

In a luncheon this afternoon, sponsored by the Georgetown Medical Alumni Association, the Rev. John Tracy Ellis, of Catholic University, will address the assembly on "Price of Freedom." This afternoon's final scientific session will center on discussions of gout, infertility and allergies.

Two Honored. At the society's annual dinner last night, Dr. Arthur C. Christie, radiologist, and Dr. Joseph S. Wall, pediatrician, were honored by the group for their long service to the community. Author-Commentator Morgan Beatty was the principal speaker.

In an address yesterday afternoon, Dr. Russell L. Cecil, professor of medicine at the Cornell University Medical School, said slight injuries of old college football players often come back to haunt them in the form of osteo-arthritis attacks. This is a disease of bones in joints of the body.

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